

Memorandum



Date: January 15, 2014

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Agenda Item No. 7(D)

To: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor

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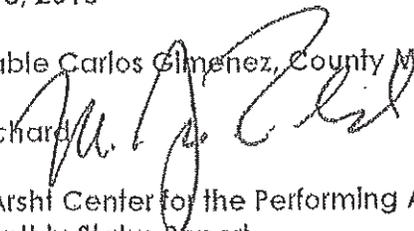
Subject: Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts Center of Miami-Dade County-
Monthly Status Report

Attached please find the monthly report and financials provided from the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County.

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Lisa M. Martinez
Senior Advisor

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 8, 2013
To: The Honorable Carlos Gimenez, County Mayor
From: M. John Richard 
Subject: Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade
County Monthly Status Report

The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County has commissioned international artist and Miami native, Hernan Bas, for the second installment of its Knight Masterworks Print Collection. Titled "Downhill at Dusk (the Runaway)," Bas' work, which was created specifically for the Center's print collection, will be on public display beginning later this month. Handmade impressions of Bas' work will be sold to benefit the Arsht Center's ongoing visual art commissioning program. Bas' addition joins the collection's inaugural work "Red Poppies" by leading American contemporary artist Donald Sultan. Both artists have strong Miami ties, with Bas having graduated from the New World School of the Arts in 1996.

Programming

The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County welcomes the 7th annual Flamenco Festival Miami. Presented by TotalBank, the 2014 festival brings breathtaking dancers, powerhouse vocalists and world-renowned musicians to the Arsht Center's stages for four performances over two weeks, February 27-March 8, 2014. Over the past six years, Flamenco Festival Miami has become a sensation enjoyed by more than 20,000 patrons.

Building New Audiences

The Arsht Center is pleased to present the Arsht Student Access Program which provides one free student ticket for every purchased adult ticket for Knight Masterworks Season - Ziff Classical Music series (subject to availability). The program launched this month when classical superstar Deborah Voigt made her Arsht Center debut. The complimentary ticket is for students between the ages of 8 and 18. These student tickets are available with the purchase of a subscription or full-priced single ticket by an adult guardian (restrictions may apply). For more information, members of the community can contact the Arsht Center Box Office by calling 305.949.6722.

Community Engagement

Stellar Award winner John P. Kee and New Life Community Choir kicked off the seventh season of the Arsht Center's *Free Gospel Sundays* season on Sunday, October 27th with an inspirational, powerful and moving performance. More than 2,200 community members attended this free performance. The afternoon also featured the Arsht Center's resident ensemble, Miami Mass Choir, Under the direction of Pastor Marc Cooper, the Miami Mass Choir consists of 60 of Miami's best gospel voices, selected through an open audition process.

On November 2nd, the Arsht Center's sixth consecutive season of its free *Family Fest* launched with Miami Music Project's "The Untold Story of Music," a thrilling performance covering the vibrant past, powerful present and inspiring future of music. The performance highlighted the roots of music from African to Cuban rhythms and featured an interactive performance by Miami Music Project's El Sistema Miami (ESMIA) Children's Orchestra and Youth Orchestra, showcasing Latin and African-inspired orchestral pieces. The Center looks forward to including educational interactive moments between the audience and performers as part *Family Fest* in an effort to introduce young audiences to the arts. NBC6 Miami has created a series of public service announcements to help increase awareness of this community program.

Financials for the Month of September

- Occupancy costs were as budgeted.
- As the result of a fourth quarter fundraising drive and pledge collections, a year-end balanced budget was achieved for the 6th consecutive year.

Upcoming Performances

- Exemplifying the exuberance and vibrancy of Brazil, Bale Folclorico Da Bahia will perform a spectacular repertory November 8th in the Knight Concert Hall.
- Zoetic Stage and the Adrienne Arsht Center presents the searing new drama *Fear Up Harsh* in the Carnival Studio Theater November 7th-24th.
- The Center welcomed more than 100 young people on November 9 for Sing Miami, a free community sing-a-long as part of the Center's arts and education program.
- The Met's highly acclaimed Deborah Voigt reigns supreme as today's queen of opera. On November 15th, she opens the Knight Masterworks Season - Ziff Classical Music Series.

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- Florida Grand Opera presents *Mourning Becomes Electra* November 19th - November 23th. Based on the play cycle by Eugene O'Neill, this mythic tale is set in Massachusetts shortly after the Civil War.
- Chicago blues king, six-time Grammy Award winner, and Kennedy Center Honoree Buddy Guy plus the original Grammy Award-winning blues prodigy Jonny Lang will play thrilling back-to-back sets at a one-night-only Arsht Center jazz event on November 21st in the Knight Concert Hall.
- Selected youth in Miami-Dade County, ages 6 through 25, will individually share ideas that evoke passion, solicit curiosity and ignite creativity in others on November 22nd as part of TEDXYOUTH@Miami.